
HOUSE RESOLUTION

CONGRATULATING CHELSEA MASAKI, RYAN PARK, CATHERINE CHOW, AND
STEFANI SAKAMOTO AS THE 2019 PRUDENTIAL SPIRIT OF COMMUNITY
AWARD RECIPIENTS.

1 WHEREAS, the Prudential Spirit of Community Awards is the
2 largest youth recognition program in the United States based
3 exclusively upon volunteer community service; through
4 outstanding community service efforts, middle and high school
5 students realize the importance of philanthropy at the local,
6 state, and national levels in making a difference in their
7 community; and

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9 WHEREAS, CHELSEA MASAKI dedicates her time to cleanup
10 activities and efforts to educate the community about the
11 dangers of plastic pollution; on her website, she shares
12 information about cleanup opportunities, concerns about
13 environmental issues, and works to educate the community through
14 speaking engagements about plastic pollution with elementary
15 school students at the Waikiki aquarium; and

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17 WHEREAS, RYAN PARK established the non-profit organization
18 and school club HOPE (Helping Oncology Patients Everywhere) in
19 2018, after back pain revealed a benign tumor on the left side
20 of his tailbone; HOPE helps to improve lives of people who live
21 with cancer as well as their family members through musical
22 recitals at treatment centers, raising money to buy gifts for
23 cancer patients, and participating in national cancer-related
24 fundraising drives; and

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26 WHEREAS, CATHERINE CHOW led a community effort to cultivate
27 a garden for Hale Iki Village following the 2018 Kilauea
28 eruption on the island of Hawai'i; her desire to help evacuees
29 now living at Hale Iki Village inspired volunteers from local
30 churches, Kea'au High School students, and her 4-H groups to



1 contribute to the efforts which resulted in the creation of a
2 thriving garden for residents; and
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4 WHEREAS, STEFANI SAKAMOTO is a member of the Girl Scouts of
5 Hawaii with a passion for wellness and healthy eating and
6 founded the nutrition education program ALOHA (A Life of Healthy
7 Action), which reaches over 200 children and their families; the
8 program encourages the community to take a pledge to make
9 healthy food and lifestyle choices; now, therefore,
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11 BE IT RESOLVED by the House of Representatives of the
12 Thirtieth Legislature of the State of Hawaii, Regular Session of
13 2019, that this body hereby commends, congratulates, and honors
14 CHELSEA MASAKI, RYAN PARK, CATHERINE CHOW, and STEFANI SAKAMOTO
15 for their leadership in the community and much deserved award
16 recognition, and extends to them its sincere mahalo and best
17 wishes for continued success in all their future endeavors.
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